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SUBJECT: BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON AMBASSADOR LUIGI COTTAFVI

REF: GENEVA 12548

1. BORN IN TURIN IN 1917, LUIGI COTTAFVI OBTAINED A LAW DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ROME IN 1940. HE SERVED AS AN INFANTRY OFFICER IN WORLD WAR II AND JOINED THE FOREIGN SERVICE IN 1948. AFTER SERVING AS SECRETARY TO THE UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN 1950 COTTAFVI WAS POSTED TO VIENNA AND LATER TO TEL AVIV. IN 1957 HE WAS PROMOTED TO RANK OF COUNSELOR AND ASSIGNED TO LONDON AND THEN OSLO IN 1959. IN 1963 COTTAFVI WAS RECALLED TO ROME AND BECAME DIPLOMATIC ADVISOR TO THEN-PRIME MINISTER ALDO MORO. WHEN MORO BECAME FOREIGN MINISTER IN 1969, COTTAFVI WENT ALONG AS HIS CHIEF OF CABINET. HE WAS NAMED AMBASSADOR TO IRAN IN OCTOBER 1972, BUT RETURNED TO ITALY BRIEFLY TO HEAD MORO'S STAFF A YEAR LATER. HE SUBSEQUENTLY RETURNED TO IRAN, WHERE HE SERVED UNTIL RECEIVING HIS CURRENT ASSIGNMENT.

2. WHILE IT HAS BEEN SOME TIME SINCE EMBASSY OFFICERS HAD DIRECT CONTACT WITH COTTAFVI, HE IS REMEMBERED AS HAVING BEEN APPROACHABLE, COOPERATIVE, AND WELL-
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